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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Research and Reports
THROUGH: Chief, Economic Research, ORR
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SUBJECT: CIA/RR-G-15, Comments on.

1. It is noted that subject report contains a section on shipbuilding (Section III D) based primarily, according to the report, on ONI Port Series Study 46-62.

2. This ONI report is actually the draft of Section 64E NIS-26 submitted to ORR for review in February 1955. Review of the draft by ORR disclosed so many errors and deficiencies that in June ONI requested that the draft be returned for a complete rewrite. By that time ONI Port Series 46-62 had been published - a word for word copy of the NIS draft which was withdrawn. The shipbuilding section of the subject document unfortunately reflects some of the errors in ONI 46-62.

3. This branch has prepared and published a study of the principal shipyard in the Arctic Area, (Molotovsk Shipyard No. 402, PR 70). This study apparently was not consulted in the preparation of RR-G-15.

4. In view of the above it is suggested that corrections be made in RR-G-15 Section III D and that the corrected section be coordinated with this branch prior to publication.

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Chief, Shipbuilding Branch

6.18.56 attached - Please return to 11/5/56